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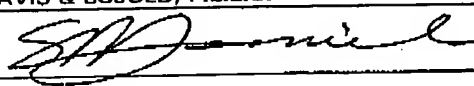
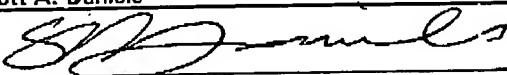
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In response to the official action mailed May 5, 2004, please enter the following before reconsideration of this application.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 7 and 11, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, and amend claims 1, 3, 6 and 8 as follows.